

**Minutes Of The  
Original Highlands Plan Task Force Meeting  
Of November 16, 2005**

**Location:** St. Brigid Catholic Church

**Time:** 6:00 PM

**Task Force Members Present:**

John Riddick, Jr.  
David L. McGinty  
Patricia Price  
Sarah A. Anderson  
John A. Thomas  
Rev. Donald R. Goetz  
Anthony J. Urbaites  
Mark A. Rose  
Tara Hagerty

**Staff and/or Consultants  
Present:**

Kendal Baker, AICP, PDS  
Chris French, AICP, PDS  
Steve Sizemore, Planner I, PDS  
Greg Winn, Corradino Group

**Others Present:**

Rick Sweeny

**Absent:**

Chuck H. Burke, Vivian M. Knox-Thompson,  
Ralph S. Bridgers, Jr., Christopher E. Ward  
Ted Haddox

**Agenda Item No. 1 – Approval of minutes**

Kendal Baker welcomed the task force members and asked if there were any objections to the minutes from the previous meeting.

**Agenda Item No. 2 - Quality of Life Survey Status**

Steve Sizemore discussed the status of the survey and its addition to the plan's website, the upcoming neighborhood newsletter and general opportunities for circulation.

**Agenda Item No. 3 – Discussion of Neighborhood History**

Mr. Sizemore requested feedback on the brief history handed out at the previous meeting. He presented a historic resources map which displayed the existing historic district and all the surveyed properties within the study area. He added that just because the other properties were not identified as "historic", by being in the district they were eligible for a survey. Task force members inquired about local landmarks designation and whether it would be a feasible option for the neighborhood to pursue.

#### **Agenda Item No. 4 – Review of PARK exercise from October meeting**

Chris French reviewed the results from the PARK activity and presented a set of statements created from the listed ideas of the task force. Mr. French discussed how these statements would be used to present the priorities for the neighborhood plan at the upcoming public meeting.

#### **Agenda Item No. 5 – Asset mapping exercise**

Mr. Sizemore led the task force in an inventory exercise identifying locations in the neighborhood which the group viewed as positive and negative. Each participant was given a set of green dots and red dots. Two maps were produced, one with the green dots (positive) and the other with red dots (negative). Participants wrote notes on their dots and Post-it notes to help clarify their identification. Mr. Sizemore said that he would take the results and digitally reproduce them to create a map with both green and red dots in order to analyze the trends.

#### **Agenda Item No. 6 – Goal and Objective Statements**

Mr. French presented a preliminary set of goals and objectives based on feedback given to date. The task force identified additional items which to add. Many suggestions were detailed (such as a particular site), but Mr. French stressed that the key point was to identify broad ideas and to focus later on the specific details. One particular point made was to take caution between the balance between the need for open space and additional parking.

#### **Agenda Item No. 6 – Neighborhood public meeting preparation and next steps**

Mr. Baker discussed the upcoming tasks for the plan. There will not be a task force meeting in December, but discussion centered on a public meeting to be held in January. The task force discussed potential sites for the meeting including the Urban Government Center, the Jefferson Traditional Middle School or one of the neighborhood's churches. PDS staff stated they would be working with The Corradino Group to organize the meeting and would be in communication with the task force regarding its details. The task force agreed that the meeting should be held on a Sunday and identified January 22<sup>nd</sup> as a potential date.

#### **Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at approximately 7:30 p.m.

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Secretary